## High Representative's 40th report on BiH - OHR

High Representative Valentin Inzko submitted the "fortieth Report of the High Representative Implementation of the Peace Agreement on Bosnia and Herzegovina" to the United Nations Security Council last week. In it, he details the process of handing over the portfolio of EU Special Representative to Mr. Peter Sorensen, the ongoing crisis of state-level government formation, and alleged threats to the integrity of the Dayton agreement from RS and Croat officials.

Download the report <u>here</u>.

 $http://www.bihdaytonproject.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/11/041111-Report-of-HR-for-BiH1\_2\_23.pdf$ 

## RS urges UNSC to close High Representative office - Tanjug

Tanjug reports on the sixth report of the RS to the UN Security Council, focusing in particular on the report's criticisms of the High Representative.

According to Tanjug, the report includes claims that the HR has "continually undermined consensus building among BiH's constituent peoples," and that his "corrosive effect on politics" is largely to blame for the current government formation crisis.

Read the article <u>here</u>.

http://www.emg.rs/en/news/region/168569.html

## What does Republika Srpska Want? - International Crisis Group

The latest report on Bosnia from International Crisis Group criticizes the RS leadership for exacerbating political problems and threatening the stability of BiH. From the introduction:

Republika Srpska's flirtation in June 2011 with a referendum is a reminder that Bosnia's smaller entity still threatens the stability of the country and the Western Balkans. It is highly unlikely that the RS will secede or that the Bosniaks will attempt to eliminate it, but if its Serb leaders continue driving every conflict with Sarajevo to the brink, as they have done repeatedly to date, they risk disaster. The agility of leaders and the population's patience need only fail once to ignite serious violence. Over the longer term, RS's determination to limit Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH) to little more than a coordinator between powerful entities may so shrivel the state that it sinks, taking RS with it. RS also suffers from its own internal problems, notably a culture of impunity for political and economic elites and a lingering odour of wartime atrocities. Its leadership, especially its president, Milorad Dodik, needs to compromise with Sarajevo on state building and implement urgent entity-level reforms.

Read the full report <u>here</u>.

http://www.crisisgroup.org/en/regions/europe/balkans/bosnia-herzegovina/214-bosnia-what-does-republika-srpska-want.aspx